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said aperture having a wide curvilinear portion wider than the third head to permit the third head to pass therethrough, said wide curvilinear portion being connected to said narrow curvilinear portion to permit movement of the third head therebetween.

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18. (Once Amended) The assembly of claim 16, wherein said second head of said pin is laser welded to said plate with said second head flush with [the] an outer surface of said plate.

REMARKS

The applicant's representative appreciates the interview afforded him by Examiner Schoeppel on June 8, 1994.

In the present application, claims 1-19 remain. In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) for failing to show every feature of the invention specified in claims 6-15. Claims 6, 8, 14, and 15 have been amended to obviate this objection.

Claims 1, 2, 5-9, 12-17 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Wu '730. Claims 3, 4, 10, 11, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Wu '730 in view of Ohnishi. An affidavit in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 is attached herewith in which the applicant swears that the claimed invention was conceived prior to the filing dates of Wu '730 and Wu '416, coupled with due diligence from prior to said dates to a subsequent actual reduction to practice. The applicant

submits that the 131 affidavit overcomes the rejections under § 102(e) and § 103.

Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, and 18 have also been amended to cure any indefiniteness problems due to lack of antecedent basis and to incorporate those changes suggested by the Examiner at the interview on June 8, 1994.

In view of the foregoing, the applicant respectfully submits that amended claims 1-19 are in a condition for allowance and action toward that end is earnestly solicited.

Signed at Chicago in the County of Cook, State of Illinois this 16th day of June, 1994.

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